

# Sikagard<sup>®</sup>-706 Thixo

## Silane based water repellent impregnation cream

### Product Description

Sikagard<sup>®</sup>-706 Thixo is a one part reactive silane based impregnation cream. It is a solvent free product with ~ 80% content of active substance. Sikagard<sup>®</sup>-706 Thixo complies with the highest requirements of EN 1504-2 for hydrophobic Impregnation (penetration depth class II & resistance to freeze and thaw salt stresses).

### Uses

Sikagard<sup>®</sup>-706 Thixo is used as water-repellent impregnation (hydrophobic treatment) for absorbent substrates such as concrete in civil engineering or building concrete structures subjected to heavy stress due to freeze and thaw cycles and de-icing salts, chloride attack in marine environment, etc...

- √ Suitable for protection against ingress (Principle 1, method 1.1 of EN 1504-9)
- √ Suitable for moisture control (Principle 2, method 2.1 of EN 1504-9)
- √ Suitable for increasing the resistivity (Principle 8, method 8.1 of EN 1504-9)

### Characteristics / Advantages

- Non-sag (thixotropic) consistency, allowing wastage-free application of sufficient quantities and assuring deep penetration
- Reduction of water absorption
- Reduction of absorption of aggressive or deleterious agents dissolved in water (i.e. de-icing salts or chloride from marine environment)
- No noticeable change of water vapour permeability
- Not film forming
- Ready for use
- Long term efficiency, deep penetration
- Increases the resistance of concrete to freeze and thaw cycles and de-icing salts
- Resistant to sea water
- Low VOC content

### Tests

#### Approvals / Standards

Conforms to the requirements of LPM-qualification test to SIA 162/5, Report A-20 450-1 of 19.04.1999. (Water absorption, penetration depth, alkali resistance, water vapour diffusion, resistance to freeze thaw cycles and de-icing salts).

Conforms to the requirement of the "Bro 2002" Swedish National Road Administration (SNRA) publication No. VV2002:47 –report reference F507580 Arev

Conforms to the requirements of the EN 1504-2 class II – Polymer Institute report P 5672-E dated 9<sup>th</sup> August 2007.

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## Product Data

### Form

**Appearance / Colour** White paste / cream (transparent after application and drying)

**Packaging** 18kg (20L) and 180kg (200L) containers

### Storage

**Storage Conditions / Shelf Life** 12 months from date of production if stored in undamaged and unopened original sealed packaging in dry and cool conditions.

### Technical Data

**Chemical Base** Silane (~ 80% active ingredient)

**Density** ~ 0.900 kg/l (at +20°C)

**pH Value** ~ 8

**VOC** ~ 77 g/l (~ 0.77% w/w)

**Resistance to Freeze-Thaw-Salts Stress** Comply (EN 13581)

**Depth of Penetration** Class II: ≥ 10 mm Test performed on concrete with a W/C = 0.70

**Water Absorption** <7.5% (EN 13580)

**Drying Rate Coefficient** Class I: > 30% (EN 13579)

### Resistance

**Alkali Resistance** < 10% (EN 13580)

## System Information

**System Structure** 1 - 2 coats of Sikagard®-706 Thixo

### Application Details

**Consumption** Dependent on substrate profile and porosity as well as the required penetration depth: ~ 200 to 300 g/m<sup>2</sup> per coat.

**Substrate Quality** Free of dust, dirt, oil, efflorescence and existing paint coats.  
Cracks in concrete more than 200 microns must be repaired prior to application of the hydrophobic treatment.

**Substrate Preparation** Cleaning is best done with suitable detergents or by light blastcleaning, steam cleaning etc.  
Best results are obtained on dry, very absorbent substrates. The substrate must look dry with no damp patches.

### Application Conditions / Limitations

**Substrate Temperature** +5°C min. / +35°C max.

**Ambient Temperature** +5°C min. / +40°C max.

### Application Instructions

**Mixing** Sikagard®-706 Thixo is supplied ready for use and should not be thinned or diluted.

<b>Application Method / Tools</b>	Sikagard®-706 Thixo is applied using airless spray, brush or roller, from top to bottom in a single pass.
<b>Cleaning of Tools</b>	Clean all tools and application equipment with Colma Cleaner immediately after use. Hardened / cured material can only be mechanically removed.
<b>Waiting Time / Overcoating</b>	<p>Can be overcoated with water and solvent based polymer paint - contact the proposed paint manufacturer for recommendations.</p> <p>Sikagard®-706 Thixo can be used as water repellent primer under many Sikagard® protective coatings. Penetration of water is thus prevented at possible weak spots or in the event of damage to the top coat and the risk of consequential damages such as paint flaking can be reduced.</p> <p>Waiting time: minimum 5 hours, maximum 1 week.</p>
<b>Notes on Application / Limitations</b>	<p>Best results are achieved when Sikagard®-706 Thixo is applied on 28 days old concrete – however, due to its high alkali resistance, it is still possible to apply it at a very early age.</p> <p>Areas such as window frames which still need to be painted must be securely covered to avoid contact with Sikagard®-706 Thixo.</p> <p>Areas not to be impregnated such as window panes need to be protected from being accidentally contaminated with Sikagard®-706 Thixo.</p> <p>Sikagard®-706 Thixo can damage some coatings and bituminous products.</p> <p>Sikagard®-706 Thixo can lead to darkening of concrete, apply sample areas first.</p> <p>Cannot be overcoated with limewash or cement paint.</p> <p>Apply Sikagard®-706 Thixo onto a sample area to confirm consumption rates.</p> <p>Refer to the latest Method Statement for detailed information regarding surface preparation, application method, etc.</p>
<b>Curing Details</b>	
<b>Curing Treatment</b>	Sikagard®-706 Thixo does not require any special curing but must be protected from rain for at least 3 hours at +20°C.
<b>Value Base</b>	All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.
<b>Local Restrictions</b>	Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.
<b>Health and Safety Information</b>	For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users should refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.
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